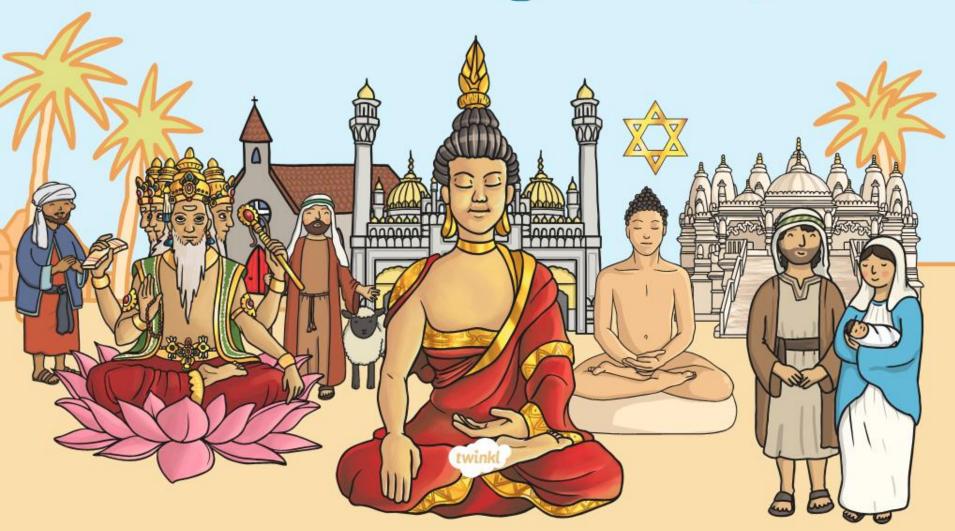
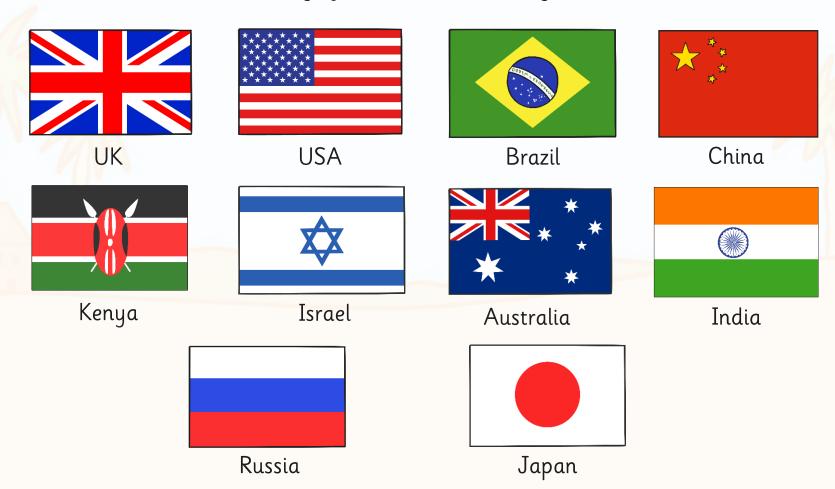
World Religion Day



Countries

How many of these countries can you name?



Religions

How many of these religions can you name?



Christianity



Judaism



Hinduism



Buddhism



Sikhism



Islam

Mix and Match

Just like the flags of countries can share similar designs and colours, countries can also share many religions.



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History

It began in the United States in 1950 but is now celebrated worldwide.

It was initiated by the Spiritual Assembly of the Bahá'is (one of the world's youngest religions which emphasizes the spiritual unity of all).

Annual

World Religion Day is held on the third Sunday in January every year.

Aim

To promote inter-faith understanding and harmony.

To unite everyone, whatever their faith.

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Events

A variety of events are held around the world and people are encouraged to acknowledge the similarities that different faiths have.

Special services are held around the world, celebrating similarities, creating understanding and showing how we can work together to create a better world.



One World

What similarities can you think of that religions might share?





Sikhism

I am a stranger to no one and no one is a stranger to me. I am a friend to all.



Hinduism

This is the sum of duty; do not do to others what would cause pain if done to you.



Christianity

In everything, do to others as you would have them do to you.





Buddhism

Treat not others in ways that you would find hurtful.



Judaism

What is hateful to you, do not do to your neighbour. This is the whole Torah; all the rest is commentary.





Islam

Not one of you truly believes until you wish for others what you wish for yourself.



Reflection



What do these statements have in common?

Did you spot any words that are repeated?

DO TO OTHERS WHAT YOU WOULD WISH FOR ALL NOT ONE

What could you do to show this today?

